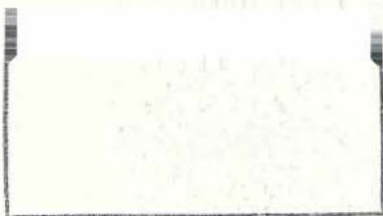


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*A Planning Project of the
Missouri House of Representatives*

Bob F. Griffin, Speaker

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The planning activities of the Missourians First task forces have produced a number of recommendations which are first steps in reaching major goals for the state.

To assist in reviewing these recommendations I asked the members of the task forces to elect from among themselves eight persons to join with the Minority Leader and me as the Planning Coordination Committee.

The 1992 Legislative Program included herein is the result of that review. I commend it to my colleagues in the Missouri General Assembly and to all citizens of the state.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bob F. Griffin".

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INTRODUCTION

The Missourians First Planning Coordination Committee supports the policy strategies for the 1992 legislative session listed in this publication. These policies are necessary to build a foundation for this long-range process.

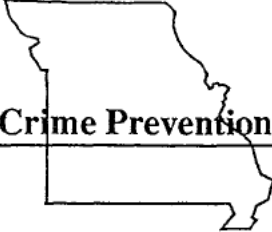
In endorsing these policies, the committee does not endorse any particular bill or joint resolution. Task force members and other House members are sponsoring specific legislation that would accomplish the policy recommendations set out here.

For a fuller statement and explanation of the recommendations, please consult **Reports of the Task Forces**, a summary of the reports of the nine Missourians First task forces.



Health Care

- Appropriate \$500,000 to update Medicaid procedure codes
- Require use of uniform billing forms by insurers and providers
- Make health insurance available to employees of smaller firms
- Revise the certificate of need program
- Remove regulatory and licensure constraints regarding consolidations and mergers of rural hospitals
- Extend state legal expense fund malpractice coverage to licensed health-care providers who volunteer services in Missouri schools



Crime Prevention

- Increase training requirements for law enforcement officers
- Increase funding for the Juvenile Court Diversion Program by \$182,000
- Amend forfeiture laws to prohibit forfeiture unless a felony conviction is obtained and allow recovery of court costs for wrongful seizure of property
- Enable courts to order probation services from private entities
- Increase funding for house arrest program by \$800,000
- Fund one "boot camp" at \$2.5 million
- Increase penalties for gang-related criminal activity



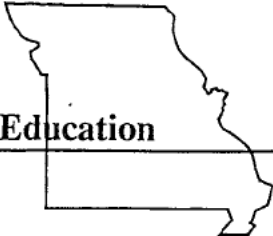
Environment

- Implement the federal Clean Air Act amendments in Missouri
- Support funding for mass transit
- Support Integrated Resource Planning by the Public Service Commission and utilities
- Enact guidelines for energy-efficient purchasing practices for state and local governments
- Establish energy-efficient guidelines for state-funded buildings
- Establish and enforce private sewage system standards
- Direct the Missouri Corporation for Science and Technology to focus on environmental research at two centers
- Instruct the Missouri Corporation for Science and Technology to report to the Missouri General Assembly on environmental and energy research



Agriculture

- Protect researchers and producers from animal rights trespassers
- Fund manufacturing-grade milk inspection through a checkoff system
- Fund the ethanol producers incentive fund by an appropriation of \$500,000



Education

- Require school districts to increase local contributions toward total education costs
- Establish equitable distribution of state aid
- Improve coordination of higher education institutions and upgrade methods of selection to higher education boards



Human Services

- Reorganize state agencies to deliver children's services through a single agency
- Increase appropriations to Family Preservation Services by \$1.8 million
- Increase appropriations to Children's Treatment Services by \$1 million
- Increase appropriations to Foster Care and Adoption Subsidy program by \$4.99 million
- Increase appropriations to the FUTURES program by \$4.2 million
- Reduce case load of Division of Family Services through appropriation of an additional \$2 million for staff
- Increase appropriations to Community Based Youth Services programs by \$1.4 million
- Revise Standard of Need definition for Aid to Families with Dependent Children with an appropriation increase of \$7.1
- Increase appropriations for in-home services for elderly Missourians by \$5.1 million



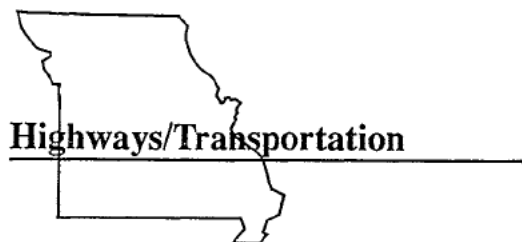
Economic Development

- Invest in the state's infrastructure through an increase in the motor fuel tax that captures federal highway funds available to the state
- Assist in the development of communications networks
- Increase funding for the loan guarantee program of the Department of Economic Development through an extension in the corporate income tax until \$15 million base has been collected
- Require companies that receive state benefits to repay those benefits if they leave the state or close
- Urge passage of a federal bill that mandates implementation of an economic conversion plan when a federal defense contract is awarded
- Direct the Department of Economic Development to assist current flexible manufacturing projects in Rolla and St. Louis



Tourism

- Support retention of the Division of Tourism
- Establish tourism taxes to fund the division



- Increase the motor fuel tax by six cents a gallon phased in over five years
- Boost the county share of highway funds

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